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Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the aboveidentified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

Amendment and Response;

Petition for Three Month Extension of Time (in duplicate);

Declaration of Alexander D. Baguisi(3 pgs.)

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Pursuant to 35 USC §1.114, applicant herein requests continued examination of Application No. 09/226,766. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request (this document); 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided herein is a amendment and response. Such a submission is a proper submission in accordance with 37 CFR §1.114 (c). With such a timely filed request, submission, and fee, applicant believes that the amendment should be entered and the finality of the Action should be withdrawn.

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Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21578-010. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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